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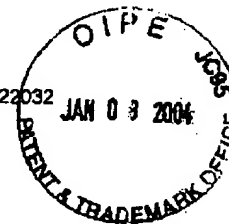
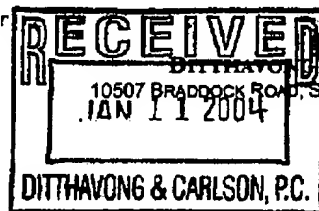
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In re: Steven R. DONOVAN

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OF PROVIDING DIFFERENTIATED SERVICES (as amended)

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NOTES/COMMENTS:


Dear Examiner Parton,

Per our discussion today, please find a copy of the Response filed on January 7, 2004 along with the date stamped postcard.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,
DITTHAVONG & CARLSON, P.C.


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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Examiner: Parton, K.

Group Art Unit: 2153

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OF PROVIDING DIFFERENTIATED SERVICES (as amended)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	33	MINUS	33	0	\$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	0	\$86	\$ 0.00
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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Payment of \$ ___ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2491, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17

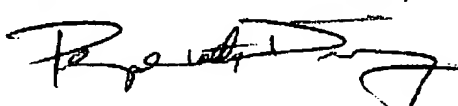
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of October 7, 2003, please amend this application
as follows:

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